- (2) subject to Subsections (e) and[,] (g)[, and (j)] of this section, all other tangible personal property, except structures which are substantially affixed to real estate [personal property] and are used or occupied as residential dwellings and except property held or used for the production of income; and
- (3) subject to Subsection (e) of this section, a leased motor vehicle that is not held primarily for the production of income by the lessee and that otherwise qualifies under general law for exemption.
- SECTION 2. Subsection (j), Section 1, Article VIII, Texas Constitution, is repealed.
- SECTION 3. Section 1, Article VIII, Texas Constitution, is amended by adding Subsection (i-1) to read as follows:
- (i-1) TEMPORARY PROVISION. (a) This temporary provision applies to the constitutional amendment proposed by the 78th Legislature, Regular Session, 2003, authorizing the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation a travel trailer not held or used for the production of income and expires January 1, 2005.
- (b) The amendment to Section 1(d), Article VIII of this constitution, takes effect January 1, 2004, and applies only to a tax year that begins on or after January 1, 2002. The repeal of Section 1(j), Article VIII of this constitution, takes effect January 1, 2004.
- SECTION 4. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be submitted to the voters at an election to be held September 13, 2003. The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the proposition: "The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation travel trailers not held or used for the production of income."
- Adopted by the Senate on March 20, 2003: Yeas 29, Nays 0; the Senate concurred in House amendment on April 30, 2003: Yeas 31, Nays 0; adopted by the House, with amendment, on March 31, 2003: Yeas 140, Nays 0, one present not voting. Filed with the Secretary of State May 2, 2003.

S.J.R. No. 30

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

proposing a constitutional amendment relating to the provision of parks and recreational facilities by certain conservation and reclamation districts.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Legislature of the State of Texas:

- SECTION 1. Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, is amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (c-1) to read as follows:
- (a) The conservation and development of all of the natural resources of this State, and development of parks and recreational facilities, including the control, storing, preservation and distribution of its storm and flood waters, the waters of its rivers and streams, for irrigation, power and all other useful purposes, the reclamation and irrigation of its arid, semi-arid and other lands needing irrigation, the reclamation and drainage of its overflowed lands, and other lands needing drainage, the conservation and development of its forests, water and hydro-electric power, the navigation of its inland and coastal waters, and the preservation and conservation of all such natural resources of the State are each and all hereby declared public rights and duties; and the Legislature shall pass all such laws as may be appropriate thereto.
- (c-1) In addition and only as provided by this subsection, the Legislature may authorize conservation and reclamation districts to develop and finance with taxes those types and categories of parks and recreational facilities that were not authorized by this section to be developed and financed with taxes before September 13, 2003. For development of such parks and recreational facilities, the Legislature may authorize indebtedness payable from taxes as may be necessary to provide for improvements and maintenance only for a conservation and reclamation district all or part of which is located in Bexar County, Bastrop County, Waller County, Travis County, Williamson County, Harris County, Galveston County, Brazoria County, Fort Bend County, or Montgomery County, or for the Tarrant

Regional Water District, a water control and improvement district located in whole or in part in Tarrant County. All the indebtedness may be evidenced by bonds of the conservation and reclamation district, to be issued under regulations as may be prescribed by law. The Legislature may also authorize the levy and collection within such district of all taxes, equitably distributed, as may be necessary for the payment of the interest and the creation of a sinking fund for the payment of the bonds and for maintenance of and improvements to such parks and recreational facilities. The indebtedness shall be a lien on the property assessed for the payment of the bonds. The Legislature may not authorize the issuance of bonds or provide for indebtedness under this subsection against a conservation and reclamation district unless a proposition is first submitted to the qualified voters of the district and the proposition is adopted. This subsection expands the authority of the Legislature with respect to conservation and reclamation districts and is not a limitation on the authority of the Legislature with respect to conservation and reclamation districts and parks and recreational facilities pursuant to this section as that authority existed before September 13, 2003.

SECTION 2. The legislature intends by the amendment proposed by Section 1 of this resolution to expand the authority of the legislature with regard to certain conservation and reclamation districts. The proposed amendment should not be construed as a limitation on the powers of the legislature or of a district with respect to parks and recreational facilities as those powers exist immediately before the amendment takes effect.

SECTION 3. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be submitted to the voters at an election to be held September 13, 2003. The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the proposition: "The constitutional amendment relating to the provision of parks and recreational facilities by certain conservation and reclamation districts."

Adopted by the Senate on April 23, 2003: Yeas 26, Nays 5; May 28, 2003, Senate refused to concur in House amendments and requested appointment of Conference Committee; May 29, 2003, House granted request of the Senate; May 31, 2003, Senate adopted Conference Committee Report by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0; adopted by the House, with amendments, on May 24, 2003: Yeas 130, Nays 0, two present not voting; May 29, 2003, House granted request of the Senate for appointment of Conference Committee; June 1, 2003, House adopted Conference Committee Report by the following vote: Yeas 141, Nays 0, one present not voting.

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S.J.R. No. 42

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing a home equity line of credit, providing for administrative interpretation of home equity lending law, and otherwise relating to the making, refinancing, repayment, and enforcement of home equity loans.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Subsection (a), Section 50, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, is amended to read as follows:

- (a) The homestead of a family, or of a single adult person, shall be, and is hereby protected from forced sale, for the payment of all debts except for:
 - (1) the purchase money thereof, or a part of such purchase money:
 - (2) the taxes due thereon:
 - (3) an owelty of partition imposed against the entirety of the property by a court order or by a written agreement of the parties to the partition, including a debt of one spouse in favor of the other spouse resulting from a division or an award of a family homestead in a divorce proceeding;
 - (4) the refinance of a lien against a homestead, including a federal tax lien resulting from the tax debt of both spouses, if the homestead is a family homestead, or from the tax debt of the owner;